

## County of Los Angeles DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

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David Sanders, Ph.D.

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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT

This is to inform your Board that the Department of Children and Family Services intends to negotiate a sole source agreement with IBM Global Services to provide Moves, Adds and Changes (MAC) and County Access to Data (CAD) services for the Child Welfare Services/Case Management System (CWS/CMS).

The purpose of the agreement is to allow the County to purchase services from IBM Global Services to add, modify or move software and hardware relating to CWS/CMS. The agreement also allows the County to access specific data instrumental in its usage of the CWS/CMS and components unique to Los Angeles County. IBM Global Services is the vendor that is providing these services to the State of California under agreement, and is the only agency that is allowed to make any modifications to the system. IBM Global Services has been providing service for the system to the State under contract for over 10 years. As a contributing function for its member counties, the State agreement contains provisions that allow individual Counties to contract with IBM for various support services at prices that are set and determined in the State agreement.

The term of the contract is for three years and the cost of these services is expected to be \$345,000.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Helen Berberian, Manager, Office of Board & Commission Relations, at (213) 351-5530.

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